

RADIOBROADCASTING

Exchange of notes at México August 24 and 28, 1940

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The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

[TRANSLATION]

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
UNITED MEXICAN STATES
MEXICO CITY

56248

MEXICO CITY, August 24, 1940

MR. AMBASSADOR:

With reference to the relevant antecedents, I have the honor to communicate to Your Excellency that the Government of Mexico is in accord that when the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement becomes effective a Gentleman's Agreement shall be put into force relative thereto, the text of which is as follows:

A. The United States agrees to protect the following Mexican Class 1-A stations having frequencies of 730 kilocycles, 800 kilocycles, 900 kilocycles, 1570 kilocycles.

B. On 1220 kilocycles, the United States may assign a station in the Detroit, Michigan, area with a directional antenna that will direct the signal to the northward and protect the Mexican station's coverage in the United States as much as possible.

C. On 1050 kilocycles, the United States is permitted to assign a station in the New York, N.Y., area with a directional antenna that will direct the signal toward the northeast and protect the Mexican station's coverage in the United States as much as possible.

D. Mexico has the privilege of changing the location of its Class 1-A stations provided they are not closer to the United States border than specified in the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement.

¹ Upon expiration of North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement signed at Havana Dec. 13, 1937 (TS 962, *ante*, vol. 3, p. 503).

E. Reciprocally, Mexico agrees not to assign any stations on the following United States Class 1-A frequencies: 700 kilocycles, 720 kilocycles, 1120 kilocycles, and 1210 kilocycles.

F. Mexico and the United States to permit day-time Class II stations with a power not in excess of 1 kilowatt on the channels they agree to protect, provided that the signal from these stations shall not exceed 5 microvolts per meter ground wave results at any place on the Mexico-United States border. By day-time stations is meant that no operation is permitted between sunset and sunrise at the location of the transmitter of the Class II stations.

I avail myself of the opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

EDUARDO HAY

His Excellency JOSEPHUS DANIELS
*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America,
City.*

The American Ambassador to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 4685

Mexico, August 28, 1940

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's courteous note no. 56248 of August 24, 1940 and to communicate herein my Government's understanding of the agreement which was the subject of Your Excellency's note under acknowledgement, touching the questions of mutual interest to our Governments in relation to the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement (the ratification by the Mexican Government having been deposited with the Cuban Government on March 29, 1940), which is as follows:

[For text of agreement, see lettered paragraphs of Mexican note, above.]

It is understood that this agreement shall enter into force when the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement shall become effective.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS

His Excellency
General EDUARDO HAY,
*Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Mexico.*